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Yvonne Cunha, Under Secretary (Fin-Exp).

Panaji, 12th December, 2002.

Government of India

Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions
Department of Pension & Pensioners Welfare

New Delhi, the 31st October, 2002

Office Memorandum

42/2/2002-P&PW(GI)

Subject: Grant of dearness relief to Central Government pensioners/family pensioners - Revised rate effective from 01-07-2002.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's OM No.42/2/2002-P&PW (G) dated 22-3-2002 sanctioning the installment of dearness

relief admissible from 1-1-2002 and to say that the President is pleased to decide that dearness relief shall be paid to the Central Government Pensioners/Family Pensioners to compensate them for the rise in cost of living beyond average Consumer Price Index 306.33 (as on 1-1-1996) at the rate of 52% w.e.f. 1-7-2002 in supersession of the rate mentioned in the OM dated 22-3-2002 referred to above.

2. These orders apply to (i) All Civilian Central Government Pensioners/Family Pensioners (ii) The Armed Forces Pensioners, Civilian Pensioners paid out of the Defence Service Estimates, (iii) All India Service Pensioners (iv) Railway pensioners and (v) The Burma Civilian pensioners/family pensioners and pensioners/families of displaced Government pensioners from Pakistan, who are Indian Nationals but receiving pension on behalf of Government of Pakistan, who are in receipt of ad hoc ex-gratia allowance of Rs.1275/- p.m. in terms of this Department's OM No.23/1/97-P&PW(B) dated 23-2-1998.

3. Central Government Employees who had drawn lumpsum amount on absorption in a PSU/Autonomous body and have become eligible to restoration of 1/3rd commuted portion of pension as well as revision of the restored amount in terms of this Department's OM No.4/59/97-P&PW(D) dated 14-7-1998 will also be entitled to the payment of DR @ 52% w.e.f. 1-7-2002 on full pension i.e. the revised pension which the absorbed employee would have received on the date of restoration had he not drawn lumpsum payment on absorption subject to fulfillment of the conditions laid down in Para 5 of the O.M. dated 14-7-98. In this connection, instructions contained in this Deptt.'s O.M. No.4/29/99-P&PW (D) dated 12-7-2000 refers.

4. The surviving CPF beneficiaries who had retired from service between the period 18-11-1960 to 31-12-1985 and are in receipt of

Ex-gratia @ Rs. 600/- p.m. with effect from 1-11-1997 under this Department's O.M. No. 45/52/97-P&PW (E) dated 16-12-1997 are entitled to Dearness Relief @ 52% w.e.f. 1-7-02.

5. The following categories of CPF beneficiaries who are in receipt of Ex-gratia payment in terms of this department's OM No.45/52/97-P&PW (E) dated 16-12-1997 will be paid DR @ 44% w.e.f. 1-7-2002.

(i) The widows and dependent children of the deceased CPF beneficiary who had retired from service prior to 1-1-1986 or who had died while in service prior to 1-1-1986 and are in receipt of Ex-gratia payment of Rs. 605/- p.m.

(ii) Central Government Employees who had retired on CPF benefits before 18-11-1960 and are in receipt of Ex-gratia payment of Rs. 654/-, Rs. 659/-, Rs. 703/- and Rs. 965/-.

6. Payment of dearness relief involving a fraction of a rupee shall be rounded off to the next higher rupee.

7. Other provisions governing grant of dearness relief in respect of employed family pensioners and re-employed Central Government pensioners will be regulated in accordance with the provisions contained in this Department's OM No.45/73/97-P&PW(G) dated 2-7-1999. The provisions relating to regulation of DR where pensioner is in receipt of more than one pension will remain unchanged.

8. In the case of retired Supreme Court and High Court Judges necessary orders will be issued by the Department of Justice separately.

9. It will be the responsibility of the pension disbursing authority, including the nationalised banks, etc. to calculate the quantum of dearness relief payable in each individual case.

10. The offices of Accountant General and Authorised Public Sector Banks are requested to arrange payment of relief to pensioner etc. on the basis of above instructions without waiting for any further instructions from the Comptroller and Auditor General of India and the Reserve Bank of India in view of letter No. 528-TA,II/84-80-II dated 23/4/1981 of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India addressed to all Accountant Generals and Reserve Bank of India Circular No. GANB No.2958/GA-64 (ii)(CGL)/81

dated the 21st May, 1981 addressed to State Bank of India and its subsidiaries and all Nationalised Banks.

11. In their application to the employees belonging to Indian Audit and Accounts Department these orders issue in consultation with the C&AG.

12. This issue with the concurrence of Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure vide their U.O. No.606-EV/2002 dated 31-10-2002..

Sd/-
(GANGA MURTHY)
Director

Department of Home
Home General Division

Notification

2/1/2001-HD(G)

- Read:- (1) Notification No.2/20/92-HD(G) dated 9-11-95
(2) Notification No.2/20/92-HD(G) dated 16-10-96
(3) Notification No.2/20/92-HD(G) dated 29-04-97
(4) Notification No.2/20/92-HD(G) dated 27-8-97
(5) Notification No.2/20/92-HD(G) dated 30-11-99
(6) Notification No.2/20/92-HD(G) dated 20-12-99
(7) Notification No.2/20/92-HD(G) dated 2-5-2000
(8) Notification No.2/1/2001-HD(G) dated 26-7-2001.

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 13-A of the Goa, Daman & Diu Public Gambling Act, 1976 (Act 14 of 1976), read with Section 21 of the General Clauses Act, 1897 (Central Act 10 of 1897), the Government of Goa hereby amends the Government Notification No. 2/20/92-HD(G) dated 9-11-1995, published in the Official Gazette, Series I No.34 dated 23-11-1995 (hereinafter called the "Principal Notification", as follows, namely:—

In condition 5 of the Principal Notification:—

- (a) For Clause (i), the following shall be substituted, namely—

(I) an application for licence for installing set of 20 electronic amusement/slot machines or loss in the five star hotels shall be accompanied by an application fee of Rs. 5.00 lakhs, and an application for installing electronic amusement/slot machines/table games on board in vessels/offshore irrespective of their number of size or capacity shall also be accompanied by an application fee of Rs. 5.00 lakhs as long as they are fitted and used on the licensed vessel. Such fee shall be deposited into the Government Treasury and copy of the challan shall be attached to the application. The fee for renewal of such licence shall be Rs. 1.00 lakh in both the aforesaid cases".

(b) For Clause (vii), the following shall be substituted namely:—

(vii) A licensee in case of Five Star Hotel shall be liable to pay in advance an annual recurring fee of Rs. 30,000 per mother machine and Rs. 20,000/- for additional machine.

For this purpose,—

(i) The machine shall be counted as one if the number of players who can play simultaneously on the machine is less than 3.

(ii) The machine shall be counted as two if the number of players who can simultaneously play on the machine is 4 to 6.

(iii) The machine number shall be increased by one thereafter for every addition of three players.

A licensee of a vessel shall pay in advance an annual recurring fee of Rs. 50,00,000/- which shall include all the machines/tables irrespective of their number or size and capacity of the vessel as long as the machines/tables are fitted and used on a licensed vessel. The aforesaid amount shall be deposited into the Government Treasury by means of challan under the Head of Account as specified by the concerned authority and shall furnish the copy of such challan to the Home Department of the Government.

This notification shall come into force with immediate effect.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

A. Mascarenhas, Under Secretary (Home).

Panaji, 29th November, 2002.

Department of Information

Notification

DI/INF/Acc.Com/2002/3502

The Government of Goa, in supersession of all previous notifications published in the Official Gazette, in this behalf, hereby makes the following rules, namely:—

1. *Short title and commencement.*— (1) These rules may be called the Goa State Media representative Accreditation Rules, 2002.

(2) They shall come into force from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. *Definition.*— In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) "Committee" means the Press Accreditation Committee constituted by the Government to advise the Government in respect of accreditation of media representatives working at the headquarters of the Government;

(b) "Government" means the Government of Goa;

(c) "editor" means the person defined as editor under the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867 (25 of 1867);

(d) "media representatives" means the correspondents, press photographer, sports journalist or representatives of any newspaper, news agencies, broadcasting concern or electronic media, provided he/she is a working journalist;

(e) "Member Secretary" means the Director of Information of the Government;

(f) "newspaper" means any publication, printed and distributed at fixed intervals, which contains news and comments of public interest as defined in the Press and Registration of Books Act (25 of 1867) but not a publication containing information of sectional interest such as house journals;

(g) "State" means the State of Goa;

(h) "working journalist" means a working journalist as defined in the Working Journalists

and other Newspaper employees (Conditions of Service) and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1955 (45 of 1955), as amended from time to time;

(i) "accreditation" means recognition of media representatives by the Government for the purpose of access to sources of information in the Government and also to news materials, written or pictorial, released by the Department of Information and/or other agencies of the Government.

3. *Amendment to rules.*— These rules may be amended/alterd/modified/added to on the recommendation of the Committee, if a proposal to this effect is made to the Committee, by at least three of its members or the Member Secretary.

4. *Application of rules.*— These rules shall apply to the accreditation of media representatives to the Government at headquarters at Panaji.

5. *Constitution of Committee.*— (1) The committee shall consist of nine members including the Member Secretary.

(2) Three members shall be the nominees of the Goa Editors' Guild or in its absence, of the editors of daily newspapers published from Goa and four members will be nominees of the Goa Union of Journalists which shall include one photographer, besides one sports journalist, nominated by the Sports Journalists Association of Goa.

(3) The members of the Committee shall elect a Chairman from among themselves by a simple majority.

6. *Term of committee.*— (1) The normal term of the Committee shall be two years commencing from the date of its first meeting, but shall continue till a new Committee is constituted.

(2) The constitution of the new Committee shall not be delayed for more than three months after the expiry of the term of the existing Committee.

7. *Meetings.*— The Committee shall meet once in every three months. The Member Secretary shall convene the meeting by fixing the date of the meeting and the agenda, in consultation with the Chairman of the Committee.

8. *Quorum.*— Five members, excluding the Member Secretary shall form a quorum of a meeting:

Provided that if a meeting be adjourned to some other date for want of quorum, the adjourned meeting shall be held on such other date whether there be quorum present or not.

9. *Notice.*— Seven clear days notice shall be given for convening a meeting of the Committee. But emergent meeting may however, be held after giving a 48 hour's notice.

10. *Application for accreditation.*— (1) The application for the accreditation shall be submitted by the Editor of the newspaper, editor of a news agency, in-charge of news unit of the broadcasting concern and by the concerned head of news unit of the electronic media, etc., to the Member Secretary. Full details about the professional experience of the media representative shall be furnished with the application for accreditation, on a prescribed form available with the Member Secretary. The Member Secretary shall refer the applications to the Committee for consideration in its next meeting;

(2) The application referred to in sub-rule (1) shall also be accompanied by a letter from the Editor (or Resident Editor in case of outstation newspapers), recommending accreditation on behalf of the newspaper concerned. The application shall be accompanied by a letter from the in-charge of news unit of the broadcasting concern, concerned head of news unit in case of electronic media, and by the editor in case of a news agency.

(3) Accreditation on a provisional/temporary basis may be granted by the Member Secretary in consultation with the Chairman of the Committee, till such time as the committee meets thereafter, provided the applicant fulfils the conditions laid down for grant of accreditation on a regular basis and provided that he/she was accredited earlier to any other media organisation or has been posted as a replacement for a duly accredited correspondent and the media organisation concerned has no other accredited correspondent in Goa. No provisional accreditation shall be granted to a fresh applicant.

11. *Conditions for accreditation.*— (1) The media representative shall fulfil the following conditions for accreditation:—

(i) His/her office should be normally in Panaji or he/she should submit contact address in Panaji at the time of application for accreditation and thereafter during the period of accreditation for the purpose of official correspondence.

(ii) The applicant should be a working journalist.

(iii) At the time of the application, the applicant who seeks accreditation should have spent not less than five years as a journalist. However, these requirements may be waived in case of new newspapers.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in clauses (i) and (iii) of sub-rule (1), the Committee shall be guided by the following aspects in recommending either grant or withdrawal of accreditation;

(a) regularity of newspaper/news agencies;

(b) Submission of necessary papers in respect of salary, income, etc. by the applicant whenever the Committee so requires.

(c) Newspapers shall publish minimum 350 issues, a weekly shall publish minimum 50 issues, a monthly shall publish minimum 12 issues and a fortnightly shall publish minimum 23 issues, per annum.

(3) In case of news agencies, etc., the factors to be taken into consideration to determine accreditation are:—

(i) nature and type of the agency.

(ii) method of distribution of its services.

12. *Validity of accreditation.*— Accreditation shall be valid for a period of one year with effect from 30th June.

13. *Number of correspondents to be accredited.*— (1) Newspapers shall not be entitled to have more than three accreditations for the daily published and printed in Goa. All other media organisations, including outstation daily newspapers shall be entitled to one accreditation only.

(2) Any publication printed and published in Goa, which fulfils the conditions laid down in

rule 11(2)(c), shall have, in addition to the above, one accreditation each for a photographer and a sports journalist.

(3) A senior journalist may be granted accreditation on account of his/her retirement or otherwise, provided he/she has completed 25 years in the profession and 15 years as an accredited journalist or editor of a daily newspaper, and continues to be active as a journalist.

(4) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rules (1) and (2) above, the committee may change the number of accreditations for any daily newspaper arising out of its professional requirements after recording reasons in writing and being satisfied about the same.

14. *Effect of accreditations.*— (1) Accreditation does not confer any official status on the media representatives but shall recognise and identify him/her as a professional journalist dealing with news of public interest. He/she should not have letter heads, visiting cards and display boards with the words "Accredited to the Government of Goa" or any words to similar effect.

(2) Accreditation shall be used for journalistic purpose and for no other purpose.

15. *Accreditation is personal.*— Accreditation is personal and not transferable.

16. *Accreditation card for press representatives.*— (1) Accreditation card bearing a passport size photograph of the media representatives will be issued to an accredited media representative by the Member Secretary.

(2) The accreditation card will normally be utilised for attending press conference convened by the Government, or any authorised Government officer and for entry into Government offices.

(3) The accreditation card shall not be admissible for attending special functions or conferences, where entry is covered by special invitation cards and security passes.

(4) The accreditation card will entitle the holder to receive the facilities provided to him/her by the Government from time to time in respect of medical, transport, housing, Government accommodation in the State of Goa.

(5) Accreditation card shall be renewed each year between 1st June to 10th June.

17. *List of accredited media representatives.*— The Member Secretary shall maintain a list of accredited media representative representing any newspapers or news agency or a broadcasting concern or electronic media.

18. *Review of list of accredited media representative.*— (1) The list of accredited media representatives will be brought upto date once during the year by the Member Secretary in consultation with the Chairman of the Committee, in the light of changes in respect of accredited media representatives of outside newspapers, and dailies of the State.

(2) For the purpose of such a review, information regarding circulation may be called for and media representatives be asked to provide clippings of published dispatches or photographs or audio/visual clips from the news media organisation concerned.

19. *Withdrawal of accreditation of media representatives.*— A media representative will be liable to disaccreditation, if:—

(a) he/she uses the information and facilities accorded to him/her for non-journalistic purposes;

(b) in the course of his/her duties as a correspondent, he/she behaves in an undignified or unprofessional manner;

(c) he/she ignores or violates the condition on which information and facilities are provided by the Government, or acts contrary to any provisions of these rules;

(d) the organisation on whose behalf the representative is accredited ceases its publication or the network ceases to function except for a short period for reasons of industrial disputes or natural calamities.

(e) the accredited representative is found to have given false information about himself/herself or about his/her organisation and if the Committee, after giving a reasonable opportunity to the representative concerned to defend himself/herself, is satisfied that the charges are true, the accreditation may be suspended/withdrawn for a period not exceeding two years, and during this period he/she shall not be eligible for the grant of further accreditation.

(f) He/she causes wilful publication of news that is incorrect or false, in so far as Government is concerned. But in case the newspaper itself is responsible and not the accredited media representatives for such wilful publication of false, malafide or incorrect reports, or abuse of confidence, the newspaper concerned shall be liable to disaccreditation i.e. an Action under these rules shall be taken by the Chairman of the Committee after the matter has been referred to him in writing by the aggrieved party. The Committee, after due study of the complaint, shall recommend appropriate action to be taken by the Government against the concerned media representative or newspaper and the Government decision in this regard shall be final.

(g) Provided that no decision to suspend/withdraw the accreditation of a media representative shall be taken by the committee except at a meeting attended by at least two-third of its members.

20. *Notice of termination of accreditation of a press representative.*— When an accredited media representative ceases to represent a newspaper, news agency, broadcasting concern or electronic media on behalf of which he is accredited, the fact should be brought to the notice of the Member Secretary in writing by the media representative, or by the Editor, or the Manager concerned, within fifteen days, failing which the matter may be reported to the Committee by the Member Secretary for necessary action.

21. *Continuous absence from the headquarters.*— An accredited media representative who is continuously absent for three months from the Headquarters shall forfeit his/her accreditation, except on a written permission from the Editor or the Manager of the newspaper concerned to that effect, duly conveyed to the Member Secretary.

22. *Representation against decision.*— Newspapers/agencies and correspondents can make representation to the Secretary of Information to the Government against any decision relating to disaccreditation which is prejudicial to them. Such representation should reach the Secretary of Information to the Government within two calendar months from the date on which such decision was communicated to the newspaper, agency or media representative concerned.

23. *Power of Government to take action deemed fit.*— Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules, the Government shall be free to take any action warranted by circumstances in matters relating to accreditation and disaccreditation and in giving press facilities and in all these cases, the Government decision shall be final.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Rajesh Singh, Director of Information and Publicity.

Panaji, 17th December, 2002.

Department of Public Health

Order

32/1/99-I/PHD

Sanction of the Government is hereby accorded for the creation of one post of Laboratory Technician in the pay scale of Rs.

4000-100-6000 and one post of Laboratory Assistant in the pay scale of Rs. 3050-75-4590 for Iodine Deficiency Disorder monitoring Laboratory in the Directorate of Health Services.

The posts will be created under Centrally sponsored Scheme "National Iodine Deficiency Disorders Central Programme," and will come into existence only after receipt of funds from Government of India and will continue till the Central Assistance is provided.

The expenditure is to be debited under Budget Head "2210-Medical and Public Health, 06-Public Health, 101-Prevention and Control of Diseases, 10-National Iodine Deficiency Disorders Control Programme (Plan) (A), 01-Salaries."

This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide their U. O. No. FS/8982/F dated 21-11-2002.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

T. S. Sawant, Under Secretary (Health).

Panaji, 10th December, 2002.